

Minutes from the City Council Meeting on Tuesday September 7, 2021 at 7:15 pm in 6 PM 1: 33 the Auditorium are as follows:

		CITY COUNCIL
Brooks, Shane D.	Ward 2 Councilor	Present CHICOPEE MA
Laflamme, Frank N.	At-Large Councilor	Present
Roy, Gerard (Jerry) A.	At-Large Councilor	Present
Tillotson, James K.	At-Large Councilor	Present
Zygarowski, Robert J.	At-Large Councilor	Present
McAuliffe, Joel D.	Ward 1 Councilor	Present
Galecki, Lucjan J.	Ward 3 Councilor	Absent
Balakier, George A.	Ward 4 Councilor	Present
Krampits, Fred T.	Ward 5 Councilor	Present
Dobosz, Derek	Ward 6 Councilor	Present
Courchesne, William C.	Ward 7 Councilor	Present
Labrie, Gary R.	Ward 8 Councilor	Present
Walczak, Stan	Ward 9 Councilor	Present

-- Motion made by Councilor Zygarowski to accept the minutes of 8/9/21. Motion passed.

Public Input-William Smith, 17 Nawrocki Drive, WMDC received authority from the acts of 1972. Rehabilitate or use Westover Air Force Base properties. WMDC is working outside of its charter. Documents state the land cannot be developed for residential. WMDC does not pay taxes to the city. Unable to obtain reports anywhere on the city website. New 1.4 million sq. ft. warehouse. Advertising, WMDC should not be free from paying taxes to the city.

- C-1 Communication from Joseph M. Phillips of Phillips Insurance Agency, Inc. re: parking and bike path downtown.
  - --Motion made by Councilor Zygarowski to receive and place on file. Motion passed. Councilor Galecki absent.
  - --Motion made by Councilor Dobosz to take item #25 out of order.
- Be it Ordered that Westover Metropolitan Development Corporation lose all local tax exemption benefits and status.
  - --Motion made by Councilor Dobosz to amend to read some in place of all. Motion passed through all stages by a unanimous roll call vote. Councilor Galecki absent.
  - --Motion made by Councilor Dobosz to refer to the Finance & Ordinance Committees, invite Assessors, Marshall from Law, and WMDC BOD. Councilor Dobosz stated the reason for the amendment was to use less aggressive language. What does the city get from WMDC? They are purchasing land that is not under their purview, buying houses on Fuller Road. Revenue up, WMDC planned to lease the Slate Road conservation area. Wouldn't get full taxes on the land. WMDC was purchasing in Ludlow, sued by the Town of Ludlow. It's concerning why the Town of Ludlow is getting a better deal than Chicopee. Should get the same deal. Should be getting the tax revenue. Study in Finance first, then send to Ordinance. Councilor Tillotson stated think Chicopee should be getting a fair deal too. Assessors have the final say. Without the Assessors we have no way to valuate the property. Assessors have to be at any meetings on this. Values are on the website,

understand where you're coming from. Councilor McAuliffe stated first acknowledge the work Derek has done to work toward the conservation of the land. Concerns-not an ordinance. Informational meeting first. Need to write the legislation. Second value in taxes returned to the city since 1960 has been significant. The work they've done has been beneficial to our city. Rift with the neighbors, there are a couple of avenues. Legal avenue, if they are operating outside their charter. How would the city be able to buy the land? Option: put this on the ballot, made this a referendum. Well intended people, getting caught up in other things. Let's not lose sight of things that need to happen. Board can put a question on the November ballot. Not an order, will be informational. Councilor Courchesne stated substantiate some public input. Councilor Dobosz stated he did invite the Assessors, do think the values are under assessed. Think areas are worth way more than this. The city will get nothing, want the same deal Ludlow has with WMDC. Tax revenue in Chicopee, but not all of it benefits the city. Leasing to FedEx, clearly not looking out for the city's best interest. Motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote, referred. Councilor Galecki absent.

MO-1 Mayors appropriation of One hundred forty two thousand six hundred twenty four and 90/100 dollars (\$142,624.90) to the following named prior year Police and Fire Salary accounts in accordance with the recently signed memorandum of agreement between the City of Chicopee and the Patrolmen's Union MASSCOPS, Local #485 from available funds in the following named Police and Fire Salary accounts:

Patrolmen Step 1	 \$139,671.27
Firefighter 2nd	2,953.63
	\$142,624.90

--Motion made by Councilor Laflamme to receive and pass. Councilor Laflamme stated for the patrolman's union last year contract. A flat rate of \$1350 per patrolman for last year since they had no contract. One of the lowest paid. Councilor Zygarowski stated will support this order. Unfortunate it takes so long to negotiate the contracts. Well deserved. Councilor McAuliffe stated thank the Mayor and union negotiating teams. Step in the right direction. We still have a pay disparity to local communities. Need to raise the starting pay. Renew call for pandemic bonus pay. Frontline workers. Have money, hope to come to that agreement, small gesture. Councilor Courchesne stated 64¢ an hour. We are a laughing stock. Should be at least \$50,000 to start. Have to appreciate value. Everyone wants a raise, not fair to them. Councilor Dobosz agrees with Councilor Courchesne way too low. Great police dept. but have trouble retaining without the proper pay. Councilor Tillotson stated don't disagree they deserve a raise, they are in negotiations now, at least they got something now. Glad getting something for last year, not enough, but it's something. Doesn't happen overnight. Councilor McAuliffe stated everyone is supportive of this measure. Should be a no-brainer, time to find a middle ground. Councilor supports police. Motion passed through all stages by a unanimous roll call vote. Councilor Galecki absent.

MO-2 Mayors appropriation of Thirteen thousand one hundred eighty seven and 08/100 dollars (\$13,187.08) to the following named account: Human Resources Special Account for Indemnifications of Police and Fire from available funds in the Stabilization Fund.

--Motion made by Councilor Dobosz to receive and pass. Councilor Dobosz stated for health expenses for Police and Fire, self-insured. Motion passed through all stages by a roll call of 11 yes, 1 out of chair. Councilor Roy out of chair, Councilor Galecki absent.

- MO-3 Mayors appropriation of Seven thousand two hundred six and 79/100 dollars (\$7,206.79) to the following named account: Human Resources Special Account for Indemnifications of Police and Fire from available funds in the Stabilization Fund.
  - --Motion made by Councilor Courchesne to receive and pass. Councilor Courchesne stated same as previous. Motion passed through all stages by a roll call of 11 yes, 1 out of chair. Councilor Roy out of chair, Councilor Galecki absent.
- MO-4 Ordered that the City Council accept the donation of two hundred and 00/100 dollars (\$200.00) to the Chicopee Department of Veterans Services. Said donation will be used for Veterans programs and it is accepted in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 44 Section 53A.
  - --Motion made by Councilor Zygarowski to receive, pass and the donation accepted. Councilor Zygarowski stated donation to Veterans. Motion passed through all stages by a unanimous roll call vote. Councilor Galecki absent.
- MO-5 Ordered that the City Council accept the attached list of donations of One hundred fifty five and 00/100 dollars (\$155.00) to the Chicopee Public Library. Said donations are accepted in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 44 Section 53A.
  - --Motion made by Councilor Balakier to receive, pass and the donations accepted. Councilor Balakier stated good folks sent in donations. Letter of thanks to be sent. Motion passed through all stages by a unanimous roll call vote. Councilor Galecki absent.
- MO-6 Ordered that the City Council accept the donation of Twenty and 00/100 dollars (\$20.00) to the Chicopee Fire Department. Said donation is made in appreciation and it is accepted in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 44 Section 53A.
  - --Motion made by Councilor Tillotson to receive, pass and the donations accepted. Councilor Tillotson stated an anonymous donation. Motion passed through all stages by a unanimous roll call vote. Councilor Galecki absent.
- MO-7 Chapter 7 Ordinance Revisions.
  - --Motion made by Councilor Tillotson to receive, 1st reading and refer to the Ordinance Committee. Councilor Tillotson stated two positions in the Human Resources Department. Not all on the list are changing. Motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote to refer. Councilor Galecki absent.
- MO-8 Mayors appropriation of One thousand eight hundred twenty five and 00/100 dollars (\$1,825.00) to the following named account: D.P.W. Highway Special Account for Land Takings from available funds in Highway Expense Account for Special Services.
  - --Motion made by Councilor Labrie to receive and pass. Councilor Labrie stated money for taking a little bit of land. People are looking to get paid. Glad to see this come through. Motion passed through all stages by a unanimous roll call vote. Councilor Galecki absent.
- MO-9 Mayors appropriation of One million five hundred thousand and 00/100 dollars (\$1,500,000.00) to the following named account: D.P.W. Highway Special Account for 2021 Road Resurfacing Project from available funds in the Stabilization Fund.

--Motion made by Councilor Walczak to receive and pass. Councilor Walczak stated program for this year, 14 streets involved, will make the city safer and better. Councilor Dobosz stated side streets are important, probably the #1 issue now is side streets. Councilor Tillotson stated Chapter 90 money will reimburse the city. Motion passed through all stages by a unanimous roll call vote. Councilor Galecki absent.

MO-10 Mayors appropriation of Nineteen thousand one hundred ninety eight and 63/100 dollars (\$19,198.63) to the attached named General Fund Salary Accounts in accordance with the recently signed agreement between the City of Chicopee and the Chicopee Professional Municipal Employees Association.

Said amount is to be taken from the 2022 Fiscal Year Tax Levy.

- --Motion made by Councilor Krampits to receive and pass with a second by Councilor Laflamme. Councilor Krampits stated basically funding the contract approval for the department heads union. Councilor Dobosz stated coming from the tax levy, we have to be careful taxes are going up. Motion passed through all stages by a roll call vote of 11 yes, 1 abstained. Councilor Brooks abstained, Councilor Galecki absent.
- MO-11 Mayors appropriation of Three thousand eight hundred fifty six and 45/100 dollars (\$3,856.45) to the attached named D.P.W. Sewer Fund Salary Accounts in accordance with the recently signed agreement between the City of Chicopee and the Chicopee Professional Municipal Employees Association.

Said amount is to be taken from the Sewer Surplus Account.

- --Motion made by Councilor Roy to receive and pass with a second by Councilor Laflamme. Councilor Roy stated contractual agreement. Councilor Tillotson read the people that are on the list. Motion passed through all stages by a roll call vote of 11 yes, 1 abstained. Councilor Brooks abstained, Councilor Galecki absent.
- MO-12 Mayors appropriation of Two thousand five hundred twenty nine and 19/100 dollars (\$2,529.19) to the attached named D.P.W. Water Fund Salary Accounts in accordance with the recently signed agreement between the City of Chicopee and the Chicopee Professional Municipal Employees Association.

Said amount is to be taken from the Water Surplus Account.

- --Motion made by Councilor McAuliffe to receive and pass with a second by Councilor Laflamme. Councilor McAuliffe stated continuance of the last two orders. Motion passed through all stages by a roll call vote of 11 yes, 1 abstained. Councilor Brooks abstained, Councilor Galecki absent.
- MO-13 Ordered that the City Council accept the donations of Nine thousand twenty one and 00/100 dollars (\$9,021.00) to the Chicopee Council on Aging. Said donations are for senior meals for the month of July, 2021 and they are accepted in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 44 Section 53A.
  - --Motion made by Councilor Dobosz to receive, pass and the donation accepted with a second by Councilor Laflamme. Councilor Dobosz stated generous donation. Motion passed through all stages by a roll call vote of 11 yes, 1 abstained. Councilor Brooks abstained, Councilor Galecki absent.

- MO-14 Ordered that the City Council accept the Field Demonstration Projects: Social Isolation and Loneliness Grant from the Massachusetts Association of Council on Aging and Senior Center Directors in the amount of Three thousand four hundred forty nine and 85/100 dollars (\$3,449.85) to the Chicopee Council on Aging. Said grant is accepted in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 44 Section 53A.
  - --Motion made by Councilor Courchesne to receive, pass and the grant accepted with a second by Councilor Laflamme. Councilor Courchesne stated for senior programming. Motion passed through all stages by a roll call vote of 11 yes, 1 abstained. Councilor Brooks abstained, Councilor Galecki absent.
- MO-15 Ordered that the City Council accept the MArtap Helping Hand Mini Grant in the amount of Two hundred ninety three and 00/100 dollars (\$293.00) to the Chicopee Council on Aging from the Massdot Rail and Transit Division. Said grant will be used for (5) driver barriers and it is accepted in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 44 Section 53A.
  - --Motion made by Councilor Zygarowski to receive, pass and the grant accepted with a second by Councilor Laflamme. Councilor Zygarowski stated a grant. Motion passed through all stages by a roll call vote of 11 yes, 1 abstained. Councilor Brooks abstained, Councilor Galecki absent.
- A favorable Zoning Committee report: Application for a Home Occupation License for the purpose of home kitchen located at 62 Pine Street. Applicant: Elke's Baked Goods, Kim Bosshart-Cote, 62 Pine Street, Chicopee, MA 01013.
  - --Motion made by Councilor Balakier to receive and the Special Permit granted with conditions. Councilor Balakier stated home kitchen. Motion passed through all stages by a unanimous roll call vote. Councilor Galecki absent.
- A favorable Zoning Committee report: Application for a Special Permit under section 275-27.1 (B) for the purpose of installing a wireless communication antenna and supporting equipment on an existing silo located at 340 McKinstry Avenue. Applicant: Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless, Attorney Michael A. Fenton, authorized agent, 118 Flanders Road, 3rd Floor, Westborough, MA 01581.
  - --Motion made by Councilor Balakier to receive and the Special Permit granted with conditions. Councilor Balakier stated committee was favorable. Motion passed through all stages by a unanimous roll call vote. Councilor Galecki absent.
- A favorable Zoning Committee report: Application for a Special Permit under section 275-52 B 13 for the purpose of dog kennel license for 8 pet dogs located at 79 Newell Street. Applicant: Marcolino Belen, Carmen Batista, 79 Newell Street, Chicopee, MA 01020.
  - --Motion made by Councilor Balakier to receive and the request for Special Permit be denied. Councilor Tillotson stated amend to read most animals, not all. Discrepancy between the Clerk's office and TJO, read the reasons for denial. In violation not having dogs licensed or current rabies. Councilor Labrie stated point out a couple neighbors over the course of two meetings have shown up against. Motion to deny passed through all stages by a roll call vote of 11 yes, 1 out of chair. Councilor Laflamme out of chair, Councilor Galecki absent.

- A favorable License Committee report: Application for a Class III License for Sandy's Auto World located at 963 Meadow Street. Applicant: Lyudmila Kudrya 172 Prospect Street, Chicopee, MA 01013.
  - --Motion made by Councilor Walczak to receive and the license granted with restrictions. Councilor Walczak read the restrictions into the record. Motion passed. Councilor Galecki absent.
- A favorable License Committee report: Application for a Class II License for Sandy's Auto World located at 963 Meadow Street. Applicant: Lyudmila Kudrya 172 Prospect Street, Chicopee, MA 01013.
  - --Motion made by Councilor Walczak to receive and the license granted with restrictions. Councilor Walczak stated same conditions as previously read. Councilor Laflamme asked a question about the handicap spot. Motion passed. Councilor Galecki absent.
- A favorable License Committee report: Application for an Auto Body/Auto Repair License for Sandy's Auto World located at 963 Meadow Street. Applicant: Lyudmila Kudrya 172 Prospect Street, Chicopee, MA 01013.
  - --Motion made by Councilor Walczak to receive and the license for Auto Repair only granted with restrictions. Councilor Walczak stated same as previous, no Auto Body work, No spraying. Motion passed. Councilor Galecki absent.
- A favorable License Committee report: Application for an Auto Detailing License for Sandy's Auto World located at 963 Meadow Street. Applicant: Lyudmila Kudrya 172 Prospect Street, Chicopee, MA 01013.
  - --Motion made by Councilor Walczak to receive and the license granted with restrictions. Councilor Walczak stated same conditions as previous. Motion passed. Councilor Galecki absent.
- A favorable License Committee report: Application for an alteration of the Class II, Auto Repair and Auto Detailing Licenses. Change in name from Meadow Street Auto to Meadow Street Auto, LLC located at 238 Meadow Street. Applicant: Gary Samuels, 3 Hockanum Drive, East Hartford, CT 06118.
  - --Motion made by Councilor Walczak to receive and the alteration be approved. Councilor Walczak stated just adding LLC. Motion passed. Councilor Galecki absent.
- A favorable License Committee Report: Application for a Junk Dealers License at 178 Center Street for the Stash House, LLC. Applicant: Marcus Quiles, 111 Lakevilla Ave., Springfield, MA 01109.
  - --Motion made by Councilor Walczak to postpone to the September 27<sup>th</sup> meeting. Councilor Walczak stated the applicant didn't appear. Motion passed, postponed. Councilor Galecki absent.
- Be it Ordered that the Public Safety Subcommittee meet to discuss issues with dispatch.
  - --Motion made by Councilor Dobosz to withdraw. Councilor Dobosz stated on wishes of Public Safety chair and the Chief of Police he will withdraw. Hope to have a meeting in the future. Councilor Tillotson stated can understand why it was withdrawn, there are many concerns that need to be addressed. Councilor Courchesne stated disappointed we won't have a meeting, two

years now, was more informational but nothing has changed. There are systemic changes needed. Give the public a chance to air concerns. Motion passed. Councilor Galecki absent.

- Be it Ordered that the City Engineer appear before the Public Works Committee to provide an update on speed tables for Front Street.
  - --Motion made by Councilor Krampits to receive and refer to the Public Works Committee. Councilor Krampits stated contacted by the Engineer and he wants to give an update. Councilor Labrie stated add on to a meeting that was called. Councilor Balakier stated shed a little light on this, this is something still in discussion, four or five speed tables, where they will go, in terms of being affective. How far apart, where they will be. Won't happen before next spring. Councilor Walczak stated called and asked for a speed limit sign, wants follow-up. Motion passed, referred. Councilor Galecki absent.
- Be it Ordered that the Planning Director or his designee appear before the Finance Committee to provide an update and presentation to the City Council on the Bike Path.
  - --Motion made by Councilor Laflamme to receive and refer to the Finance Committee. Councilor Laflamme stated put this forward, good presentation on the bike path. Councilor Tillotson asked which bike path? The bike loop. Motion passed, referred. Councilor Galecki absent.
- Be it Ordered that the Chamber of Commerce provide an update to the City Council at its October 5, 2021 Council Meeting.
  - --Motion made by Councilor Laflamme to receive and the request placed on the agenda for the October 5<sup>th</sup> meeting. Councilor Laflamme stated spoke to Julie at the Chamber she wants to share knowledge during public input. Motion passed. Councilor Galecki absent.
- BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council that the Code of the City of Chicopee for the Year 1991, as amended, be and is hereby further amended as follows:

Chapter 198 Motor Vehicles on City Property Add to 198-2 Violations and penalties

- (A) No person shall operate a recreational vehicle or off-highway/road on any City-owned or-controlled public way, sidewalk, park, playground, recreation area, public school property or any other property owned or controlled by the City.
- (B) No person operating or in control of a recreational or off-highway/road vehicle shall refuse to stop such vehicle after having been requested or signaled by a law enforcement officer. No person shall refuse to give their correct name, address or registration to the law enforcement officer.
- (C) No person shall operate a recreational or off-highway/road vehicle recklessly or negligently so that the lives of the public might be endangered and/or such operation, cause serious bodily injury.
- (D) No person shall operate a recreational or off-highway/road vehicle recklessly or negligently so as to cause property damage public/and or private property.
- (E) No person shall operate a recreational or off-highway/road vehicle without stopping and making their name, address and vehicle information known after knowingly colliding with or otherwise causing bodily injury to another.
- (F) No person shall operate a recreational or off-highway/road vehicle recklessly or negligently so that the lives or safety of the public may be endangered.

- (G) No person shall operate a recreational or off-highway/road vehicle recklessly or negligently as to harasses or be a nuisance to the public.
- (H) No person shall operate a recreational or off-highway/road vehicle without first having registered/insured such vehicle in accordance with MGL c.90B Section 22.
- --Motion made by Councilor Courchesne to receive, 1st reading and refer to the Ordinance Committee, Law and Police. Councilor Courchesne stated part of police task force with Springfield and Holyoke, directly from the task force. Councilor Tillotson stated Law and Police Department for report, should be involved won't put on next agenda for next week. Councilor Dobosz stated people are sick of these vehicles on the road. They don't respect the traffic laws at all. Motion passed, referred. Councilor Galecki absent.
- Be it Ordained by the City Council that the Code of the City of Chicopee for the Year 1991, as amended, be and is hereby further amended as follows:

Chapter 198 Motor Vehicles on City Property

Add 198-2.1

Penalties for violations 1st Offense \$500.00 2nd Offense \$1,000.00 3rd Offense \$1,500.00

- --Motion made by Councilor Courchesne to receive, 1<sup>st</sup> reading and refer to the Ordinance Committee, Law and Police. Councilor Courchesne stated same course. Motion passed, referred. Councilor Galecki absent.
- BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council that the Code of the City of Chicopee for the Year 1991, as amended, be and is hereby further amended as follows:

Chapter 188-20 Service and self-service station licenses.

Add S Sale of Gasoline for Illegal Purposes

- (a) No owner or employee of any retail dealer of gasoline shall sell, offer for sale, or attempt to sell any article or product represented as gasoline for use in any motorized recreational vehicle as defined in this ordinance, unless that vehicle is conveyed to and from the retailer's premises by a registered motor vehicle, as defined under Massachusetts General Law Chapter 90 section 1, as may be amended, and no individual shall purchase or attempt to purchase gasoline for use in any motorized recreational vehicle as defined in this ordinance.
- (b) Signs with the words "FUELING OF ALL TERRAIN VEHICLES, MINI-CYCLES, DIRT BIKES, OR OTHER UNAUTHORIZED VEHICLES PROHIBITED" in English and "PROHIBIDO DESPACHAR GASOLINA A ALL TERRAIN VEHICLES, MINI-CYCLES O DIRT BIKES 0 A OTROS VEHICULOS NO AUTORIZADOS" in Spanish at least one (1) inch in height with a contrasting margin shall be posted at all dispensing locations. The location of warning signs shall be based on local conditions but shall be visible and legible from all gas pumps. Signage to be provided by the City.

(c) Any owner of any retail dealer of gasoline which violates any provision of Subsections (a) or (b) of this section who owns or is employed by a retail dealer that has been previously issued a warning as the result of a previous violation of Subsections (a) or (b) of this section shall be fined one hundred dollars (\$100.00) per occurrence. Each motorized recreational vehicle as to which an owner or employee of any retail dealer of gasoline sells, offers for sale, or attempts to sell gasoline shall be considered a separate violation of Section (a) above.

T. Offense
Sale of Gasoline
For Illegal Purposes

Fine \$100.00

**Enforcing Personnel**Chicopee Police Department

--Motion made by Councilor Courchesne to receive, 1st reading and refer to the Ordinance Committee, Law and Police. Councilor Courchesne stated back in June he created a task force to help the Police Department. All cities need to present collectively, this one will go a little deeper. Waiting for the state to take this on, get this in the works. Deptuty Gawron had this. Councilor Tillotson stated exact order from Springfield, want clear understanding of what we're doing here. Motion passed, referred. Councilor Galecki absent.

## 33 To The City Clerk

You are hereby notified that I have this day appointed Steve Nembirkow of 52 Moreau Circle, Chicopee, Massachusetts as a member of the Charter Review Commission.

- \*Replaces Jennifer Wolowicz
- --Motion made by Councilor Roy to appoint Steve Nembirkow to the Charter Review Commission. Motion passed. Councilor Galecki absent.
- A proposed ordinance striking from Chapter 260, Parking Regulations, Moore Street, In front of 23 Moore Street for a distance of 50 feet from property line to property line (no parking between signs) Parking Prohibited.

Motion made by Councilor Balakier to receive, 1st reading and refer to the Ordinance Committee. Councilor Balakier stated request from new owners, want to be more neighborhood friendly. Motion passed, referred. Councilor Galecki absent.

- A proposed ordinance adding to Chapter 260, Parking Regulations, Tourtelotte Avenue, South side, Parking Prohibited.
  - --Motion made by Councilor Courchesne to receive, 1st reading and refer to the Ordinance Committee. Councilor Courchesne stated with Engineering. Motion passed, referred. Councilor Galecki absent.
- A proposed ordinance adding to Chapter 260, Parking Regulations, Benefit Street, Both sides, Residents Parking Only.
  - --Motion made by Councilor Courchesne to receive,  $1^{\rm st}$  reading and refer to the Ordinance Committee. Councilor Courchesne stated parking issues with the new bike path. Councilor Tillotson

stated we have no residents only parking in Chicopee. Motion passed, referred. Councilor Galecki absent.

- A proposed ordinance striking from Chapter 260, Parking Regulations, Center Street, East side-1,190 feet from Ash Street through Union Street, Nonotuck Avenue and School Street to Springfield Street, Parking Prohibited, Effective immediately.
  - --Motion made by Councilor Laflamme to receive, 1st reading and refer to the Ordinance Committee. Councilor Laflamme stated has to do with the bike loop. Mayor and Planning Dept. saw an opportunity to use a grant for a downtown bike loop. Downtown businesses are upset, this will continue to hurt business and keep new business out of the city. Would like to see this removed. Review with Lee, we tried it, we do not lose the grant. About the businesses now, we step back and revisit. Residents and homeowners can't park. Take back and revisit. Councilor Zygarowski stated we don't have to give back the money. Councilor Tillotson stated concur, wasn't what we thought it would be. Can't plow or sweep the streets, certainly not appropriate here. Maybe in another part of the city. Too many parking spaces taken away. Councilor Roy stated well-intentioned but don't know if he's had more complaints. Councilor Courchesne stated grant money was already spent. Either way we need to get rid of this mess. Application process is expensive. Councilor Walczak stated know a bit about grants, unfortunately this one didn't work, look for qualitative or quantitative answers. Hurt businesses. Councilor Zygarowski stated agree with Councilor Roy, one of the items most complained about, this is a business area. Bike path behind City Hall that was never finished, the intent was good. Councilor Laflamme stated not just taking down the lanyards all will be put back the way it was. Chamber can communicate with businesses. Councilor Courchesne stated need to get language to get it back the way it was. Motion passed, referred. Councilor Galecki absent.
- A proposed ordinance striking from Chapter 260, Parking Regulations, Center Street and Springfield Street, West-side-170 feet from Exchange Street, Parking Prohibited (Note: Center Street becomes Springfield Street at the angle point of the Starzyk Building, for the final 60 feet of this proposed ordinance.) Effective immediately.
  - --Motion made by Councilor Laflamme to receive, 1st reading and refer to the Ordinance Committee. Councilor Laflamme stated same course. Motion passed, referred. Councilor Galecki absent.
- A proposed ordinance striking from Chapter 260, Parking Regulations, Exchange Street, North and west side-1,120 feet from Cabot Street through Perkins Street and Dwight Street to (across from) Chestnut Street. Parking Prohibited. Effective immediately.
  - --Motion made by Councilor Laflamme to receive, 1st reading and refer to the Ordinance Committee. Councilor Laflamme stated same course. Motion passed, referred. Councilor Galecki absent.
- An application for a NEW Special Permit under Section 275-58 (C) (4) of the Municipal Zoning Ordinance for the purpose of The Windsor Lounge, a bar. Location of Property: 101 Main Street. Name of Applicant: Melissa Hojnowski, 38 Vernon Street, Holyoke, MA 01040.
  - --Motion made by Councilor Balakier to receive and refer to the Zoning, Planning, Building, Health and License Commission. Councilor Balakier stated will take up in committee. Motion passed, referred. Councilor Galecki absent.

- An application for a NEW Special Permit under Section 275-59 (C) (6) of the Municipal Zoning Ordinance for the purpose of eating and drinking establishment with the consumption of alcohol. Location of property: 340 Carew Street, Chicopee, MA 01020. Name of Applicant: 340 Carew Street, Inc., 340 Carew Street, Chicopee, MA 01020
  - --Motion made by Councilor Balakier to receive and refer to the Zoning, Planning, Building, Health and License Commission. Councilor Balakier stated will take up in committee. Motion passed, referred. Councilor Galecki absent.
- 42 An application for a NEW Class II License applied for by: TMD Automotive, Inc., 25 Yelle Street, Chicopee, MA 01013. Applicant: Todd Diederich, 206 Bridle Path Road, Chicopee, MA 01013.
  - --Motion made by Councilor Walczak to receive and refer to the License Committee. Councilor Walczak stated will take up in committee. Motion passed, referred. Councilor Galecki absent.
- An application for a NEW Auto Repair License applied for by: TMD Automotive, Inc., 25 Yelle Street, Chicopee, MA 01013. Applicant: Todd Diederich, 206 Bridle Path Road, Chicopee, MA 01013.
  - --Motion made by Councilor Walczak to receive and refer to the License Committee. Councilor Walczak stated will take up in committee. Motion passed, referred. Councilor Galecki absent.
- 44 Election Call for the September 21, 2021 Municipal Preliminary Election.
  - --Motion made by Councilor Laflamme to receive and approved this evening. Councilor Laflamme stated primary for Municipal Election, meeting moved to September 23, 2021. Motion passed. Councilor Galecki absent.

ATTEST:

Keith W. Rattell City Clerk